**FORM 1**

**Documentation of BLM Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Findings from Previous Inventory on Record**

**1. Is there existing BLM wilderness characteristics inventory information on all or part of this area?**

**No** _____(Go to Form 2)**Yes** X (If yes, and if more than one area is within the area, list the unique identifiers for those areas.):

**a) Inventory Source:** 3/08/79

**b) Inventory Area Unique Identifier(s):** CO-070-302, CO-070-032

**c) Map Name(s)/Number(s):**_____

**d) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s):** Grand Junction
Glenwood Springs R.A.

**2. BLM Inventory Findings on Record:**

Existing inventory information regarding wilderness characteristics (if more than one BLM inventory area is associated with the area, list each area and answer each question individually for each inventory area):
Inventory Source: 3/08/79

| Area Unique Identifier | Sufficient Size? Yes/No (acres) | Naturalness? Yes/No | Outstanding Solitude? Yes/No | Outstanding Primitive & Unconfined Recreation? Yes/No | Supplemental Values? Yes/No |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CO-070-032 | - Grand Junction did not recommend for intensive analysis in July 2012. | | | | |
| CO-070-302 | 6580 | | | | |
| Due to the configuration of this unit, those permanent improvements (e.g. fences) that exist impair the naturalness of the unit to the extent that 5000 acres of contiguous, natural lands does not exist. | | | | | |

in the Grand Junction Field Office Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Update

**FORM 2**

**Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics**

Area Unique Identifier 302/032 Acreage 22937 acres
(If the inventory area consists of subunits, list the acreage of each and evaluate each separately).

In completing steps (1)-(5), use additional space as necessary.

(1) Is the area of sufficient size? (If the area meets one of the exceptions to the size criterion, check "Yes" and describe the exception in the space provided below),

Yes X No _____

Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.

Description (describe the boundaries of the area--wilderness inventory roads, property lines, etc.): Bordered by private land and I-70.

(2) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes X No _____ N/A _____

Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.

Description (include land ownership, location, topography, vegetation, and summary of major human uses/activities): There is about 8000 acres in the middle of this polygon that does not have any developments or highly developed routes as can be viewed through Master Title Plats and aerial photography.

(3) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for solitude?

Yes _____ No X N/A _____

Description (describe the area's outstanding opportunities for solitude):

The terrain allows for such limited opportunies for solitude that it is not ~~with~~ outstanding. The majority of the areas where solitude could be found in the north are due to steep slope of over 40-50% where people do not go. Sights and sounds of oil and gas traffic and work on pads in the original polygon would affect and inhibit opportunities for solitude in the southern area of the polygon. Since I-70 does border the polygon, traffic and use on the interstate would be so extremely imposing in the adjacent BLM land in the polygon that it could not be ignored.

(4) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes _____ No X N/A_____

Note: If "No" is checked for both 3 and 4 the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for question 5.

Description (describe the area's outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation): The terrain allows for such limited opportunities for primitive and unconfined that it is not outstanding. A majority of the areas where primitive and unconfined recreation could be found are in areas where the slopes are over 40-50%. The rest of the opportunities are in slopes of 30-50%. This precludes most opportunities and those that exist are not outstanding because the opportunities are very typical of general recreation locally.

(5) Does the area have supplemental values (ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational, scenic or historical value)?

Yes _____ No _____ N/A X

Description: _____

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**Summary of Analysis***

**Area Unique Identifier:** 302|032

**Summary**
Results of analysis:
(Note: explain the inventory findings for the entirety of the inventory unit. When wilderness characteristics have been identified in an area that is smaller than the size of the total inventory unit, explain why certain portions of the inventory unit are not included within the lands with wilderness characteristics (e.g. the inventory found that certain parts lacked naturalness).

1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements? X Yes ___ No

2. Does the area appear to be natural? X Yes ___ No ___ N/A

3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation? ___ Yes X No ___ N/A

4. Does the area have supplemental values? ___ Yes ___ No X N/A

Check one:

___ The area, or a portion of the area, has wilderness characteristics and is identified as lands with wilderness characteristics.

X The area does not have wilderness characteristics.

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